DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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38 CFR Part 17

Expanded Access to Non-VA Care Through the Veterans Choice Program; Correction AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Interim final rule; correcting amendment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs published in the Federal Register of December 1, 2015, a document amending its medical regulations that implement section 101 of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014. In that rule, two paragraphs were inadvertently removed. This document corrects that error. DATES: Effective on [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) published in the Federal Register of December 1, 2015, a document amending its medical regulations that implement section 101 of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014. 80 FR 74991. Inadvertently paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of 38 CFR 17.1530 were removed. This document corrects that error.

List of Subjects in 38 CFR Part 17

Administrative practice and procedure, Alcohol abuse, Alcoholism, Claims, Day care, Dental health, Drug abuse, Government contracts, Grant programs-health, Grant programs-veterans, Health care, Health facilities, Health professions, Health records,

Homeless, Mental health programs, Nursing homes, Reporting and recordkeeping

requirements, Travel and transportation expenses, Veterans.

For reasons set forth in the preamble, the Department of Veterans Affairs

amends 38 CFR part 17 with the following correcting amendment:

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1. The authority citation for part 17 continues to reads as follows:

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 501, and as noted in specific sections.

2. In § 17.1530, add paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) to read as follows:

§ 17.1530 Eligible entities and providers.

(a) * * *

(1) Not a part of, or an employee of, VA; or

(2) If the provider is an employee of VA, is not acting within the scope of such

employment while providing hospital care or medical services through the

Veterans Choice Program.

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